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SOURCE EVALUATIONS ARE DEFINITIVE. APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.

1. The Lipki Krainskie airfield is situated on the Zlotow-Chojnice (Pommern) railway line, about 3 kilometers from the Lipki Krainskie railway station and 6 kilometers south of the city of Debrzno. It was taken over by the Polish Airforce in 1946.
2. The 3456th Fighter Regiment (Pulk Mysliwski) is stationed at the airfield. The regiment is under the command of Pommerska Milo (Okreg Pomorski). Aircraft that have been observed at the airfield have been one- and two-seater jet planes of the MIG type; two-seater craft of the SZPARK type; and four two-seater, propellor-driven, JAK-type planes. The total number of aircraft was about 40.
3. The regimental commander was Major Faszczewski (fnu), and the chief of staff was Conczowski (fnu) (rank unknown). Field personnel strength amounted to about a battalion. The commander was Lieutenant Colonel Gorski(fnu), the chief of staff was Lieutenant Blaszczak (fnu), and the battalion deputy commander was Captain Czajkowski.
4. The main runway of the airfield has a length of about 3 kilometers. The width is about 35 meters. The runway has a good foundation and is apparently heavily reinforced.
5. There are two fuel dumps. The main dump lies about 800 meters east of the airfield's control tower, which is situated at the side of the main runway. The reserve dump lies in the western part of the field, about 700 meters from the main runway in a northwesterly direction. The main dump is situated under a red-painted, single-story stone house, while the reserve dump lies under a small wooden shed in which there is a hand pump. It is not known how deep the tanks are buried, nor their size. Fueling of the planes from the main dump is done directly, with the help of motorized pumps.

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6. The airfield lacks hangars, although splinter shields are to be found. The repair shops are located in two one-story buildings made of stone, situated about 200 meters east of the control tower. West of the tower, at a distance of about 500 meters, lies a weapons shop.
7. A mobile radar station was located on the eastern border of the field during April, May and June of 1958. According to service personnel it was never moved. The personnel reported that the station's effective range was 250 kilometers.
8. The airfield's cantonments are about one kilometer north of the field in the direction of Lipki. They consist of 3 four-story barracks. The following are housed in the barracks: the fighter regiment, except for permanent personnel who are quartered in the city; one airfield battalion around (sic) a signal company; one radar platoon; one company which maintains airfield services (searchlights, etc.); and one guard company.
9. About 200 meters from the cantonments, in the direction of the airfield control tower, there is a fire station. The fire corps consists of a platoon of 30 men.
10. Electrical power comes from the city of Debrzno. The entire field is electrified.
11. Two roads lead to the Lipki Krainskie airfield, one from Debrzno and one from the south.
12. About 50 kilometers from the Lipki Krainskie airfield there is an emergency field near a town named Wilcze Doly. The direction to the emergency field is unknown. The field has no buildings in the vicinity, and lacks a permanent runway.
13.  a sketch of the Lipki Krainskie Airfield. A key to the sketch listing thirty locations is also attached.

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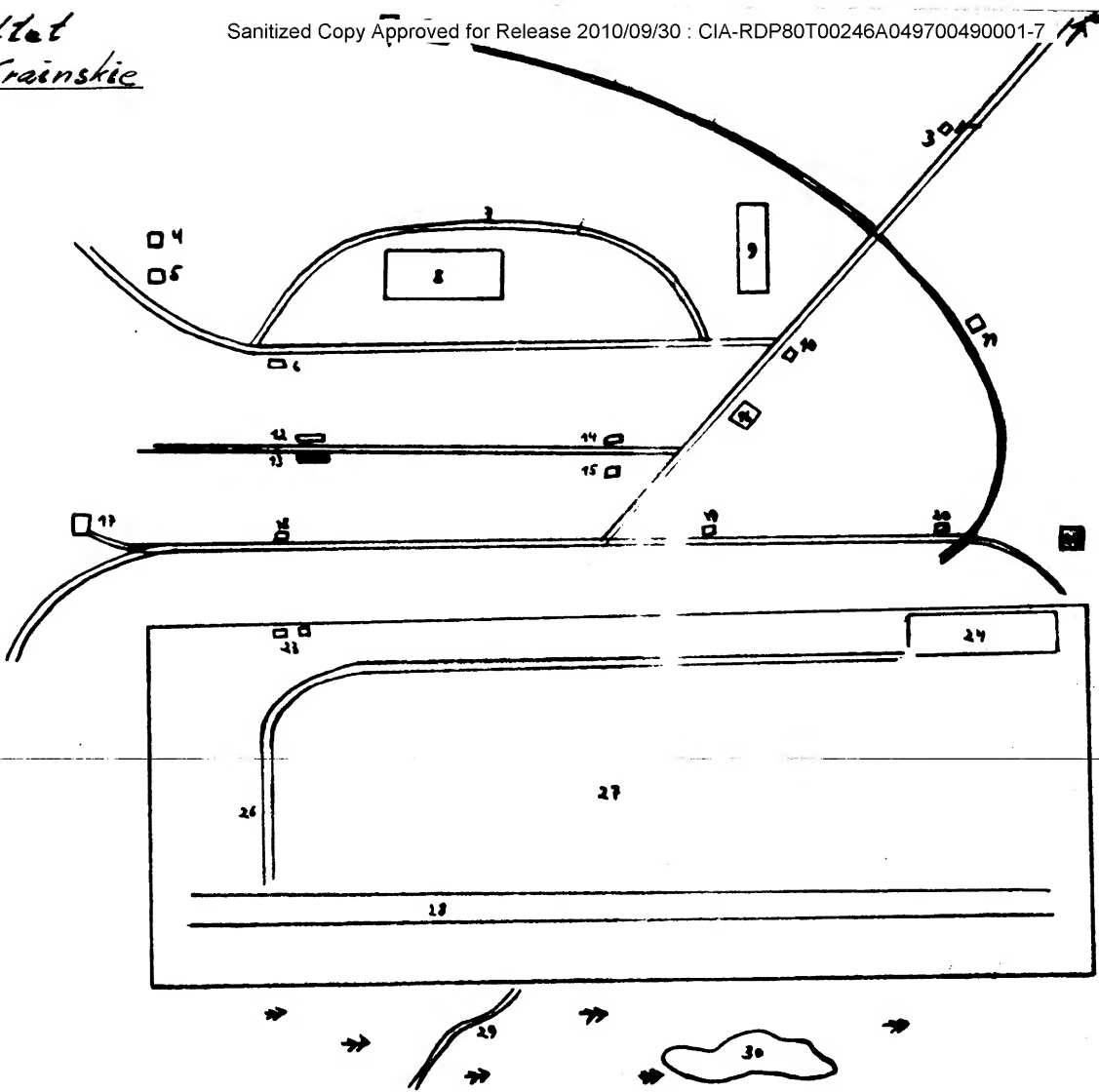
1. Railway tracks to Lipki Krainskie (military)
2. Road to Debrzno
3. Guard, with boom
4. Hospital
5. Dining Hall
6. Bath house
7. Road through cantonment area
8. Regimental barracks
9. Airfield battalion barracks
10. Guard, and guard-house
11. Large fuel supply
12. Quartermaster, warehouse for provisions, uniforms
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14. Fire corps
15. Battalion staff
16. Garage and parking area
17. Reserve supply for provisions
18. Weapons shop
19. Staff building
20. Repair workshop
21. Radar. Parking area for vehicles.
22. Lake
23. Small barracks for personnel on duty
24. Parking area for aircraft
25. Shooting range
26. Taxi strip, of concrete
27. Airfield
28. Main runway
29. Road to airfield from the south
30. Small lake about 300-400 meters from the field

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